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### IN VACATION.

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**Putting One over on the Court.**—In the olden days, when Wirt and Webster used to argue causes before the Supreme Court of the United States, it was the fashion to introduce an occasional Latin quotation. The fashion long ago disappeared. A reminder of it, however, occurred recently, at the trial of the very important case of *Virginia v. West Virginia*. Among the numerous briefs there was one, on the West Virginia side, that had been printed on tinted paper. Mr. Justice Holmes, wishing to be assured with regard to the accuracy of a statement, held up this particular brief to the view of counsel then addressing the court—Major Holmes Conrad, of Virginia, formerly Solicitor-General of the United States. Conrad blandly remarked: "Your Honor,—*Nimium ne crede colori.*"—Exchange.

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### BOOK REVIEWS.

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**Lawyers Reports Annotated.** New Series. Book 30. Burdette V. Rich and Henry P. Farnham, Editors. 1910. Rochester, New York. The Lawyers Co-Operative Publishing Company. Price \$4.00.

Volume 30 but adds another book to this splendid series. The same care is used in the selection, and the same admirable method in the notes, which characterized the previous volumes. We have been particularly struck with the note to *Blake v. Meadows*, page 1, on the question of "Estoppel of One Who Permits Title of Real Estate to Stand in Another's Name to Assert Title as against the Latter's Creditors;" as well as the note to *C. R. I. & P. Railway Company v. Newburn*, page 432, on the question of "Carriers' Waiver of Requirement of Signature of Ticket or Coupon." The note to *Katzman v. Kentucky*, page 519, on the "Constitutionality, Construction and Effect of Statute Prohibiting or Regulating the Sale of Poisons," is of exceeding interest; whilst the note to *Farmers' Bank v. Johnson*, 697, upon the "Effect of Direction on Check to Pay Same through Specified Agency," is upon a decision which seems to be one of first impression in this country.

A study of these notes, as each volume is examined, convinces one that there is no unnecessary crowding, no undue padding, but that every thing of value is set out in the clearest and best way.

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**The Law of Street Railways**, being a complete treatise on the law relating to the organization of street railways, the acquisition of their franchises and property, their regulation by statute and ordinance, their operation and liability for injuries to the per-